

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Lena Waldman was born on December 25, 1914, at Hague, North Dakota, to Benedict and Agnus Waldman and grew up and was educated in that area along with 14 siblings; and,

*Whereas*, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

*Whereas*, Lena married Harold Gutenkauf on October 18, 1937, at Onaka, South Dakota, and to this union three children were born, Arnie, Darlene, and Dale, who in turn blessed them with six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; and,

*Whereas*, Lena has been active in the Seneca Senior Citizen Center and as a member of St. Boniface Church serving on the Alter Society and as a CCD teacher; and,

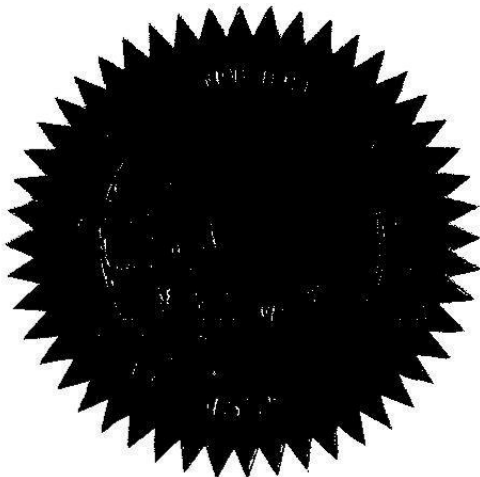
*Whereas*, Lena has always enjoyed playing cards, working on ceramics, camping, visiting with friends that stop by, and cooking for friends, family and hunters; and,

*Whereas*, Lena celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare, and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family gathered on November 27, 2004, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim December 25, 2004, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of December in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

*M. Michael Rounds*  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Ch. Nelson*  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State